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SUBJ: BOUMEDIENNE JOINS MEDIATION EFFORTS, RENEWED EGYPTIAN AIR
RAIDS ON TOBRUK AND KHUFRA JULY 24

1. LOCAL MEDIA JULY 24 REPORTS THAT ALGERIAN PRESIDENT
HOUARI BOUMEDIENNE ARRIVED IN TRIPOLI MORNING OF JULY 24
TO HELP MEDIATE PRESENT EGYPTIAN-LIBYAN MILITARY CONFLICT.
THE ALGERIAN PRESIDENT WAS MET AT LIBYA'S UQBA IBN NAFE AIR
BASE BY COL. QADHAFI, LT. COL. KHAROUBI, SECRETARY FOR
LIAISON BEN AMIR AND LIBYAN FONSEC ALI TURAYKI. BOUMEDIENNE IS
ACCOMPANIED BY ALGERIAN COL. MUHAMMAD SALIH YAHYAWI AND
AHMAD ABDAL GHANI MEMBERS OF ALGERIA'S REVOLUTIONARY
COUNCIL AND COL. MUHAMMAD MIRBAH, COUNSELLOR OF ALGERIA'S
REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL OFFICE. BOUMEDIENNE REPORTEDLY
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IMMEDIATELY WENT INTO CONFERENCE WITH COL. QADHAFI AND
LATER JOINED PLO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN YASIR
ARAFAT. ACCORDING TO MEDIA, ARAFAT PROPOSED CEASEFIRE,
HALT TO MILITARY OPERATIONS AND A HALT TO THEIR
PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGNS.

2. WITHIN AN HOUR OF ALGERIAN PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENNE'S

ARRIVAL IN TRIPOLI, LIBYAN MEDIA REPORTED RENEWED EGYPTIAN AIR RAIDS ON TOBRUK AND KHUFRA. ACCORDING TO MEDIA, LIBYAN AIR DEFENSE SHOT DOWN "FIVE" EGYPTIAN AIRCRAFT WHICH REPORTEDLY FELL NEAR THE TOWN. MEDIA REPORTS THAT EGYPTIAN AIR LT. COL. ABDAL HAMID IFFAT DESCRIBED AS A COMMANDER OF WING NUMBER 55 SOKHOY FROM JINTLAY AIR BASE WAS CAPTURED BY LIBYAN MILITARY. MEDIA ALSO CLAIMS THAT LIBYAN DEFENSES SHOT DOWN ONE EGYPTIAN AIRCRAFT OVER KHUFRA OASIS. PLANE REPORTEDLY FELL SOUTHEAST OF THE OASIS.

3. DESPITE ONGOING MEDIATION EFFORTS OF PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENNE AND PLO CHAIRMAN ARAFAT, LIBYAN RADIO CONTINUES TO CALL FOR THE OVERTHROW OF PRESIDENT SADAT. LIBYAN APPEALS ADDRESSED TO THE EGYPTIAN ARMED FORCES ACCUSE SADAT OF ABANDONING HIS EFFORTS TO RETURN TERRITORY USURPED BY "THE ZIONIST ENEMY" INSTEAD OF ATTACKING MUSAID AND TOBRUK. COMMENTARY ACCUSES SADAT OF BEING A CIA AGENT AND "A LINK IN THE CHAIN OF A MAJOR PLOT HATCHED TO DESTROY THE 1ST OF SEPTEMBER REVOLUTION." COMMENTARY CALLS UPON THE EGYPTIAN ARMY TO "DIRECT THEIR GUNS AT THE ABIDIN PALACE AND THE PALACES OF THE NOUVEAU RICHE TO TOPPLE THE FOUNDATION OF CORRUPTION AND DEVIATION AND THE CONSPIRACY IN EGYPT." IT REMINDS THE ARMY THAT IT HAD PERFORMED THIS ROLE ONCE BEFORE BY TOPPLING THE

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EGYPTIAN MONARCHY AND SUPPORTING THE ARAB REVOLUTION IN ALGERIA AND YEMEN. COMMENTARY CALLED OVERTHROW OF SADAT NATIONAL AND PAN-ARAB DUTY OF OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE EGYPTIAN ARMY. SIMILAR EDITORIALS HAVE BEEN BROADCAST DURING PAST 24 HOURS.
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